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Department of Justice Seeks Emergency Suspension of Doctor

Immediate danger to public health cited

Wilmington – Today, Attorney General Beau Biden announced that his office has filed two complaints calling on the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline and the Secretary of State to immediately suspend the medical license and controlled substances registration of Rodney Baltazar, D.O. and to schedule a hearing to ultimately revoke his license and registration.

“This individual allegedly abused his medical credentials to engage in serious criminal activity with serious consequences,” said Attorney General Biden. “An immediate suspension of his medical license and controlled substances registration is the only way to protect the public from further potential harm.”

The Attorney General’s complaints, filed on December 5 and December 9, state that in April 2010, Baltazar was indicted in federal court in Florida on 20 counts of using his Delaware controlled substances registration to illegally distribute anabolic steroids. Baltazar was later indicted in federal court in Missouri in September 2011 on five counts of distributing more than \$1.3 million worth of steroids and human growth hormone using his Delaware controlled substances registration. Additionally, Baltazar was disciplined by the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct in October 2010 for violating a court order to repay student loans.

Citing these charges along with Baltazar’s failure to report them to the Board within 30 days as required by Delaware law, the complaints contend that his actions present an imminent danger to the public health and safety warranting an immediate temporary suspension of his license and controlled substances registration. Stating his illegal actions are detrimental to both the public health and the medical profession, the complaints cite Baltazar’s use of his Delaware controlled substances registration to issue prescriptions for dangerous drugs for non-therapeutic or diagnostic purposes, without conducting patient examinations and for no legitimate medical reason. He is also alleged to have deliberately failed to maintain records of his activity.

The temporary suspensions would go into immediate effect pending a final hearing on the complaints.

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